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HOOVER SAID EXAMINATIONS SHOWED THAT THE FORGERY HAD BEEN DONE BY THE SAME PERSONS.

"FURTHER COMPARISON WITH OTHER LETTERS CIRCULATED IN THE PAST IN THIS AND OTHER COUNTRIES BY THE SOVIET DISINFORMATION DEPARTMENT PROVED IRREFUTABLY THAT THIS WAS A COMMUNIST SCHEME," HE SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE CIA THE RUSSIAN DEPARTMENT IS PART OF THE SOVIET KGB SECRET POLICE. HOOVER SAID THE ORGANIZATION HAD HIM AND THE FBI AS "PRIORITY TARGETS FOR ATTACKS."

THE RUSSIAN DEPARTMENT WAGES A BROAD PROPAGANDA OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE UNITED STATES, HOPING TO DISCREDIT IT AT HOME AND ABROAD, HE SAID.

HOOVER SAID IT WASN'T THE FIRST TIME THE COMMUNISTS USED DOCUMENTS WITH HIS NAME FORGED ON THEM. HIS NAME HAD BEEN FORGED TO LETTERS CIRCULATED IN LATIN AMERICA IN 1964, ATTEMPTING TO CONNECT THE FBI AND THE CIA TO A BRAZILIAN REVOLUTION, HE SAID.

"THE INTRICACIES OF THAT COMMUNIST SCHEME BECAME FURTHER APPARENT WHEN WE DETERMINED THAT MY SIGNATURE HAS BEEN FOGED FROM A LETTER STOLEN BY CUBANS IN HAVANA IN 1960," HOOVER SAID.

HOOVER THANKED HICKENLOOPER FOR SENDING HIM THE JENKINS LETTER.

"IT PROVIDES ANOTHER LINK IN THE CHAIN OF EVIDENCE BEING PUT TOGETHER TO COMPLETE THE PICTURE OF THIS SOVIET SMEAR CAMPAIGN WHICH AMOUNTS TO CHARACTER ASSASSINATION," HOOVER SAID.

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